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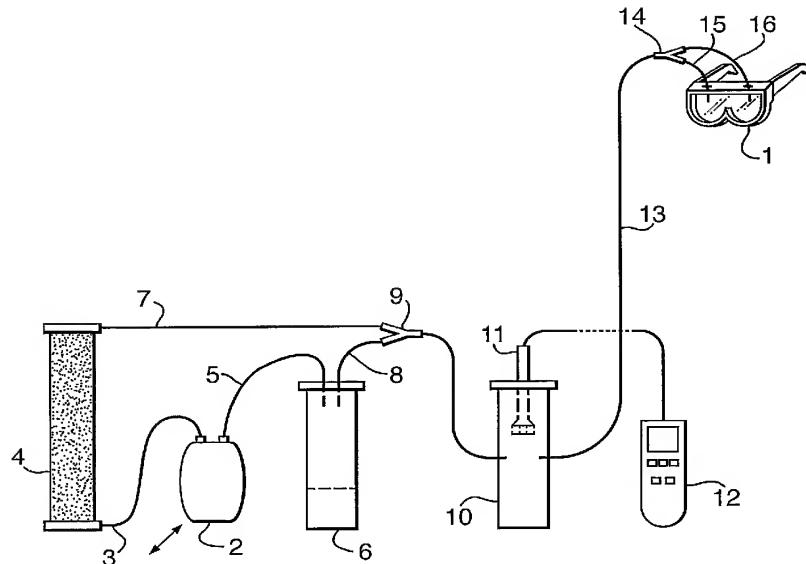
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(57) **Abstract:** Apparatus which provides a dry environment around the eyes of the user comprising: an eye enclosure adapted to provide an enclosed area about the eyes of the user; means for retaining the eye enclosure in position; and means for supplying dry air to the eye enclosure. Also described are apparatus and methods for testing items to be applied to the eye, screening patients, diagnosing ocular and/or systemic medical conditions, and treating ocular and/or systemic medical conditions.